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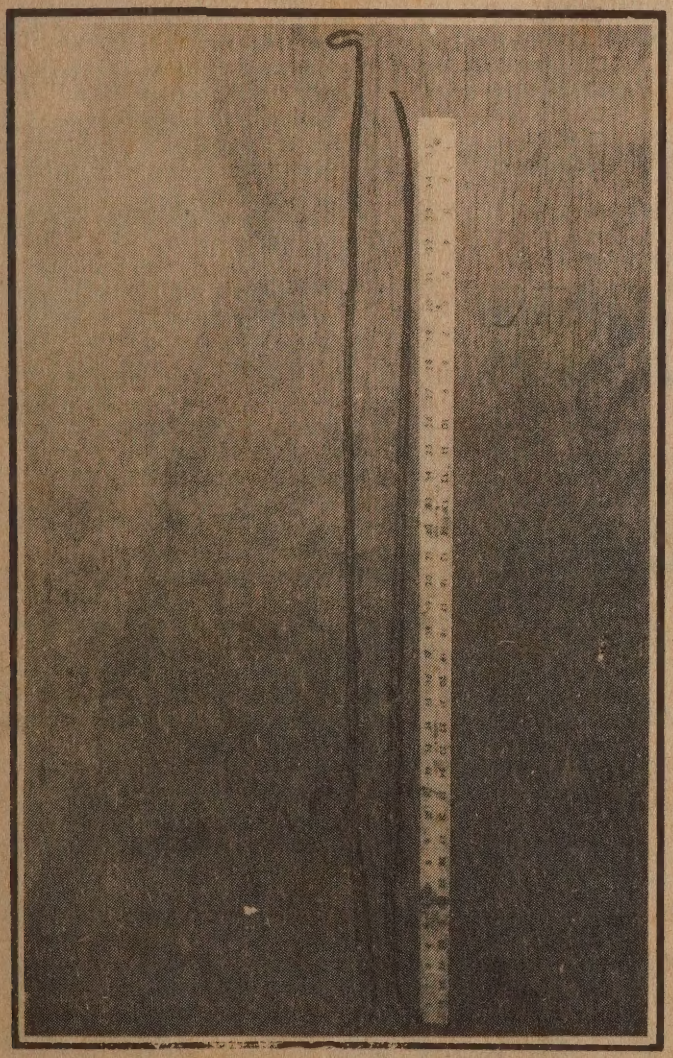

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Lindenhurst—Lindenhurst Junior High School, 350 South Wellwood Avenue, Wednesday, September 11th at 7;30.

Farmingdale—Farmingdale Senior High School, Lincoln and Intervale Ave., Wednesday, September 18th at 7:30 p.m.

No. Babylon—North Babyon High School, Deer Park Ave. and Phelps Lane, Monday, September 30th at 7:30 p.m.

For further information call 249-5869 or 541-3327.

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The South Shore Power Squadron is giving three Basic Boating Courses for approximately two hours an evening, 8—10 p.m., one evening a week for 10 weeks at these three locations:

Oceanside—Oceanside Senior High School, Brower Avenue, first class Monday, September 23rd at 8 p.m.

East Meadow—East Meadow High School, Carman Avenue, first class Wednesday September 11th at 8 p.m.

Freeport—Freeport Senior High School, South Brookside Avenue, first class Monday, September 9th at 8 p.m.

BOATING COURSE TO BE HELD AT SEAFORD HIGH SCHOOL

Flotilla 13-8 United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, will conduct a Safe Boating Course at Seaford High School starting September 10th at 8:00 p.m.

This will be a new expanded 12 lesson course covering weather, engine maintenance, radio, compass and charting in addition to the usual boat handling and safety lessons.

Also conducted concurrently, will be a 4-lesson Young Boatman's Safety Course that will enable youngsters between the ages of 10 and 15 to earn their New York State Certificate to operate a motor boat.

Registration for both the 12 lesson course, and the Young Boatman's course will be held at Seaford High School, on September 9th and 10th at

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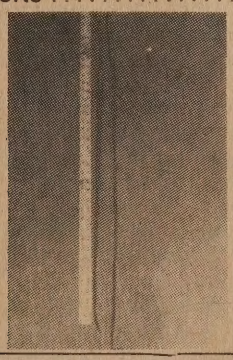

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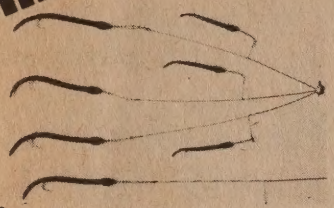

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This new 5 lesson course will cover all phases of engine maintenance and operation.

Registration for this course will be held at Seaford High School on September 9th and 10th at 8:00 p.m.

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BUNKER BOAT TROUBLE OUT EAST

In regard to my phone call to you a few minutes ago, I would like to tell you in writing what I told you verbally.

On Monday August 26, 1974 I was visiting my sister whose home is on North Rd., Southhold, just east of the Town Beach, also just east of Hortons Point. A sort of Nile-green bunker boat had been cruising the area all day, being out a few yards, Then around 5 P.m. this boat, on which I could not see any name or numbers, came to within 100 feet from shore. We could see two schools of fish boiling like crazy. The net boat, which was black and looked like a big double pontoon, came right up to within 10 feet of the beach, and scapped up. I could see men on the big bunker boat fishing with rods. This was not a nice thing to see. My sister has lived out there over twenty years and never saw a bunker boat or net boat come this close.

There were two fishemen on shore and a couple in small boats, and the language that came from the net boat was unprintable. One of the beach fishermen (a neighbor) cast out, and immediately brought ina nice size blue over 5 lbs. That was all he could get as the net boat netted everything else.

This bunker boat stayed out with lights on all nite. Then Tuesday A.M. went out further in middle and nearer to Conn. side.

If a name or numbers were on the boat I would have seen them. And I repeat that several of the men on the big bunker boat were fishing with poles which I could see. **Mrs. M.H. Allen**

I'm afraid we're going to see a lot more commercial bunker fishing out east, especially now that there are controls on the western Sound fishing—to Buoy 13 off Eaton's Nesck.

In the past, the DEC has assured everyone that all the bunker boats are under observation [or — as much as is feasible they tell me,] to make sure they are following the rules of the game. Could it be they are mistaken?

There are, in addition to the Seacoast boats, renegades that do not bother even with the apparently minor technicalities needed to obtain a fishing permit for bunker from the DEC. It is possible that you saw one of these in action.

Regardless — for the future, you east-end residents, the best thing to do is to call your DEC — listed in your white pages under "New York State of ...." to report what you believe might be a violation. And everybody call The Fisherman — 667-6633 — to let us know; we'll follow-up.

NON-SPORTSMEN AND FOOTBALL TUNA

The current run of small tuna off the South Shore of Long Island really brought out the true nature of out "sports" fishermen. Despite repeated warnings from many authorities on the danger to the bluefin tuna stacks from overfishing, few fishermen have paid any attention. The weekend past saw many exceptional catches of football (4-10lbs.) made by private boatmen. Some boats had upwards of 40-50 fish. Queried about the disposal of such numerous tuna, many a boatman replied "to the market".

Tuna tournaments are held and upwards of 1000 fish are caught on a weekend. Few, if any of these fish are tagged. The common answer seems to be, "If the seiners can get all they want, so can I."

Sure, sportsfishermen only take a small percentage of the overall catch, but conservation has to start somewhere. Let's not preach a 200 mile limit and then go out and decimate the fisheries ourselves. Let's face it: many fishermen are hypocrites."Do as I say, not as I do" seems to be the attitude. If a sportsman is interested in conservation he should pursue it all the way, not only when it suits him or his wallet. Let's get off it and practice what we preach. **Ron Onorato, Bellrose, N.Y.**

SMALL BOAT INFORMATION

I'm thinking of buying a boat kit about (10' or 12') can you tell me of any places that sell them on L.I.! I'd only put the boat into the water that day to fish and then take it out, does it need to be registered or inspected? Also, can you tell me of any fee's & monthly dues for a fishing club I'd like to join! Who can I contact? **George F. Perli, Lindenhurst.**

We can think of any number of dealers who sell the completed boat you

want but are not aware of any who stock kits locally. Why a boat so small, though? If it's for yourself in sheltered waters, okay. Just remember that the ocean is not forgiving.

You can use your boat on New York waters without registration, so long as you use only hand power—oars or paddles. Use of motors requires the boat to be registered.

To answer your last question: many clubs send announcements to us. When you decide on one that looks good to you, and is open for membership, you'll have to make contact by writing to the club for further information. They're all different.

CHEERS FOR HOWARD GUTA

At last, at last, Mr. Howard Guta of Massapequa has had published in your weekly what myself and other bass fishermen have been experiencing for years.

I experienced what he wrote about frequently, by a dead-beat who lets me and my friends work our butts off finding bass, then asks all the particulars (by phone naturally) and sure enough hits all our spots immediately after, bragging about the big fish he's caught.

If ever there are miserable souls it is "fishermen" such as he.

Everyone who has taken bass must realize the time & effort req'd finding them. For it is here that the real talent lies. An old man told me—more years ago than I care to remember—"Any damn fool can catch a bass. It's finding them that separates the men from the boys." zso if you're not out there lookin' with me, but you ask me where they are & what they're hitting, you better start duckin' or runnin', 'cause trhat makes me madder than a wet hen.

Thanks L.I.F. for your courteous answer to Mr. Guta's letter. **Ken Smith**

I agree with you on all counts but one: you wouldn't find me giving any information to the kind of proven character you described at the beginning of your letter. Maybe he'll see the reference to himself, and get the message and bug-off. Probably not, though; that kind is a true parasite, whether in the biological or sociological sense.

RULES OF HAVING FUN

The following suggestions are for fishermen who go on open party boats.

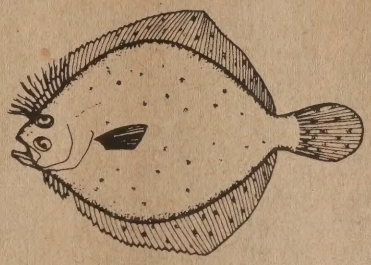
1. Upon boarding the boat display a general nature; greet the captain and the mate pleasantly.

2. After setting your rod on the rail—look over at your left and introduce yourself to the man or woman standing there—ditto at your right.

3. Don't panic whenever your line becomes entangled; simple wait.... or help to untangle it. Smile!

4. Don't expect the mate or mates to devote all their energies to you.

5. Enjoy the day on the water—whether you catch fish or not. **George J. Wright**



News Releases

OAKDALE SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT HEARINGS ON SEPT. 5

An Oakdale resident called The Fisherman to ask us to announce that a sewage plant is planned for that area, with hearings set for 11am on Thursday, September 5, 1974. According to our source, these hearings were not publicized locally, though the announcement may have appeared somewhere in the legal notices of one of the local papers. The situation:

A private corporation has obtained land adjacent to LaSalle Academy in Oakdale and plans to build at least 250 garden apartment units and 62 one-family homes on both sides of the Main River Vanal. Since cesspools are legally forbidden, the company has decided to engage the services of the Oakdale Sewage Disposal Corporation to build a sewer plant that will provide secondary treatmen only, which is completely inadequate. The project requires approval from the N.Y. State.

Hearings will be held at the D.E.C. Building #40, at the State University at Stony Brook. We apologize for the lateness of this announcement, but it was printed as soon as possible: no prior publicity seems to have been given.

CORRECTION IN THE NAME OF EVANS' ROCK

Issue #33 (8/29/74) contained a glaring error—not once, but twice repeated—in the title of Whiting Evans' article, "The True Story of Evans' Rock at Montauk." "Evans'" was incorrectly set as "Evan's" (note the position of the apostrophe),corrected by the proof-reader (your humble editor), then completely ignored—twice—by the man in charge of these things (Production Manager), who, as he was kicked in the rump, could give no reason for his carelessness. (If you don't know who these antagonists are, turn to page 3, where thi trivia is listed, ¾down.)

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by Joseph P. Crisanti

It was early spring, and Al and I were talking about last year's trip to Montauk for the fall bass run. It had been our first trip to Montauk for bass and, for beginners at a new location, it was a pretty successful trip. Let me tell you about it.

On out first trip, upon arrival we asked about the tides and locations to fish, but did not receive much help fom traditionally taciturn fellow fishermen. It was then we decided to make a few advance trips for future reference. We learned about places called Shagwong Reef—inner and outer; Pollack Rip, North Bar, The Elbow, Cartwright Grounds, and also the south side of the lighthouse. We knew if we gathered as much information as we could from all sources we would have a much better chance at success.

We also learned a little more about living comfortsble in a camper-top Ford truck, because the following year we almost froze because we were unprepared for cold weather. We lived out of the truck and fished out of a nineteen foot Mako equipped with twin fifty Johnson's, radio and Ross recorder. We also had a check list of needed equipment.

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I think that twin motors, radio and graph recorder are three of the most important items when fishing areas like Montauk. Twin engines can be a godsend for obvious reasons, and the radio, in case both motors fail, is a life saver. The radio also helps in locating fish by listening to the local boat chatter. It helps to make friends vsö fellow fishermen with radios, for you can help each other out in case of emergencies.

A graph recorder is a must, because you do not have to constantly keep your eyes on the machine. It records the edge of rips perfectly, and you can write notes on the paper for use on future trips. Al and I have been fishing the North Shore of Long Island from Centre Island Reef to Port Jefferson for eight years, but it seems bass fishing in different areas must be done in different ways for consistency in producing fish. As we were to find out, Montauk was to prove this true. After much planning, and three or four advance trips, we were ready for action.

Chomping at the bit, we arrived at Montauk on Saturday, October 6, six days before the full moon. After launching the boat at one of the many local ramps, Al drove the boat as I drove the truck and trailer to the Cove Marina. We had stayed there the year before and they had just what we needed: a spot for the boat right where we parked the truck; electricity and water right at hand; clean rest-rooms with showers.

The first morning we readied the boat and the camper, and about three that afternoon we started fishing. Al and I concentrated on one spot, giving it a good chance and plenty of time before moving on. We decided from previous trips and information gathered to try jigging bucktails with pork rind and, when darkness came, try drifting live eels. On our first day we picked up 25 blues and four bass from eight to ten pounds. When darkness came, we started drifting our eels but, to our surprise, did nothing on them. All the fishing that day was done between the Lighthouse and the Restaurant.

From our last year's experience we decided to fillet all fish, because each freezer bag costs 75 cents, plus 50 cents a day to keep in the marina freezer; this can be costly. Also—you cannot use your own bags or containers in marina freezers.

The first night was comfortable, with air-mattresses, sleeping bags and an electric heater, because even in early October in Montauk the nights can be very cool. For a side note, after Labor Day, the motels are very-inexpensive; as little as 10 dollars a night for two, and 17 dollars for three. Other things to remember at this time of year is that restaurants close early, plan on early meals. And in morning we found [illegible] meals. In the staurants very crowded, which means delays in getting out, so we decided to skip breakfast, or get something the night before to keep in the cooler.

On Sunday we got up early—about two hours before dawn. This day we would try Pollack Rip. Before sunrise, we jigged the bucktails and landed four small bass between eight and 15 pounds. When it became light, we moved out to the elbow, put on some jumbo tubes and relaxed while we trolled up about 40 blues. At 11A.M. we returned to the dock, filleted our fish, wrapped the pieces in freezer paper and stored them in the freezer.

Another side note for fishermen is that if you clean your fish at the marinas, the remains must be carted back out, for there is a 50 dollar fine if you are caught dumping remains inside Montauk Harbor. The marinas won't let you fill up their trash containers with fish waste, so, obviously, it is a good idea to clean your fish while still out in fishing areas, something we did for the rest of the trip.

That afternoon we slept a few hours, then at five o'clock went out again, this time to try the waters at outer Shagwong. The morning produced only landed 18 bluefish before dark. At dusk we hit eight bass from 10 to 22 pounds and returned to the dock at 10 that night.

The next day, Monday, October 8th we started out about one hour before dawn, this time to try inner Shagwong. The moring produced only five small bass up to ten pounds. After light, we decided to troll for blues at the Cartwright Grounds where we heard the bunker-dunkers were murdering them. The rest of the morning, till about 11 A.M., produced 65 blues on tubes. We both decided then that this was to be a striper trip and from that time on, any blues caught would be returned.

Some fishermen who make these

fall trips to Montauk pay for them by going to the local fish wholesaler near Tuma's dock, where the charter boats tie up. There they are given all the material to crate fish and, for five dollars a box, the fish are sent to Fulton Fish Market. I understand that within two days you are in receipt of a check. Al and I kept whatever fish we could use for the winter and gave the rest away to our friends and relatives.

That evening we returned to the Elbow, which produced a few bass as well as many blues which we returned.

Tuesday was another day of a few bass and many blues, the blues running us out of bucktails, for, after about 10 blues, there is hardly any bucktail left. It seemed to us that the bottom was paved with bluefish, and we could not get under them to reach the bass.

October 9 passed and Wednesday the 10th came. Now it was only two daya before the full moon, and we were getting anxious. Where was the "blitz" we came for? That morning, we again caught a few small bass and many blues and, when the sun rose we discovered schools of fish breaking around us. Were they bass? We thought this was it. But on close examination they turned out to be schools of bonito, so we thought we'd have some fun with our light spinning tackle.

Everything in our bags went at those fish, but we couldn't get a hit. Then we dicided to take off our leaders, tie on small tins and troll fast, in large circles around the fish. That did it, for we were well into bonito and we had a ball that morning. That afternnon the wind turned, coming out of the northwest at 25 to 35 m.p.h. That was it for the day.

That night, after an early dinner, we were sitting in the camper, listening to the wind and feeling low because we knew we had less than three days remaining, and hadn't yet scored big on bass. If the wind kept up that would be the end of our blitz.

We crossed our fingers and went to sleep. The next a.m. I awoke before the alarm, about 4 o'clock, and it was an ideal morning; not a breeze, clear skies and that big, beautiful moon smiling down. This was Thursday, October 11—the eve of the full moon....

I awakened Al and we headed out to see what this morning would bring. We started out trolling under the lighthouse with our Smilin' Bill's and pork rind. By this time Al had the rips pretty well mastered. He trolled into the rips at approx. 1800 r.p.m. and, when our lines and lures fell through the drop offs, or cliffs as I would call them, we would turn half-right or left—according to how close we were to the shore. Naturally it would determine our direction. The currents at this slow speed would push us back to the edge of the rips where we would start again. I must give Al a hand here, because he did this masterfully while jigging his pole at the same time.

The morning started off slowly but then, a half hour before sunrise, it exploded! Every pass was a fish; one bass, sometimes double-headers. When the sun rose the bass disappeared and the blue fish started. We stopped and took count: twenty-two bass, from ten to 28 pounds, the majority in the 20 pound class.

I said to Al, "This has got to be the start. Let's go back and rest for tonight."

The night of the 11th we started fishing about six o'clock, after an early dinner. While we still had light we put on giant killer tubes so that the bluefish would not destroy our bucktails. We picked up ten blues, which we returned, and three bass of from six to ten pounds. Then, as the sun was setting, we put on our Smilin' Bill's with pork rind and began jigging the rips right under the lighthouse.

Then it happened! Both our rods went down simultaneously. We knew from the amount of run-off we could approximate the size of the fish: I knew I had a small one, but Al's was a very big fish. He knew from his line marking the first run took about 175

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The Humpbacks of Montauk

by Scott Simons

The telltale "rap-rap-rap" of a nibbling porgy was telegraphed to the rod tip, but I wasn't receiving. I had been daydreaming, but on his second attack on the bait I drove the hook home sharply three times, bending the light rod double. A few minutes later, a three pound "humpback" porgy was flopping around on the deck and I was into a second fish.

The porgies arrive at Montauk in late June or early July and remain well into October when they begin to thin out. Montauk is the last area where the porgies show up after spawning in the Peconics and Long Island Sound. The first run of fish are in the two-and-a-half to four pound "humpback" category, and lasts two or three weeks until the smaller "sea porgy" variety of one-and-a-half to two pounds arrive in quantity.

While a good catch of porgies can be made without the aid of chum, its proper use will increase the catch considerably. The best chum you can buy is the same clam bellies that are used for striped bass. A large can of bellies costs between five and six dollars, but is enough for two or possibly three fishing trips.

After buying a can of clam chum let it thaw overnight. Get you wife to save you about a dozen half-gallon milk cartons Transfer the thawed clam bellies into the milk cartons and refreeze them. This gives you frozen blocks of chum that can be put in the chumpot whole. The block of chum will slowly thaw in the warm water, releasing juices and tiny bits of clam into the current like a time-capsule.

A large chum pot will set you back about twelve bucks, and you may have to shop around in several tackle shops before finding one, but it's an investment well-worthwhile. The same pot can also be used for flounders in the spring and fall, bluefish and even striped bass.

After purchasing a chum pot you will have to add additional weight. This can usually be accomplished by pouring an inch of molten lead into the bottom, or by attaching more weight to the inside with wire. The reason for this additional weight is so you can lower it on a short line, keeping it on the bottom close to the boat. If it is too light the current will take it a distance away from the boat before it comes to rest on the bottom, and this can easily prove to be counter-productive.

The best bait for these large Montauk porgies is fresh skimmer clam. Frozen clams break down in the freezing process, becoming soft and mushy, and porgies can peck those soft baits off a hook with amazing ease. Whole skimmer clams are tougher and have the added advantage in that the shells can be scattered around the boat for chum.

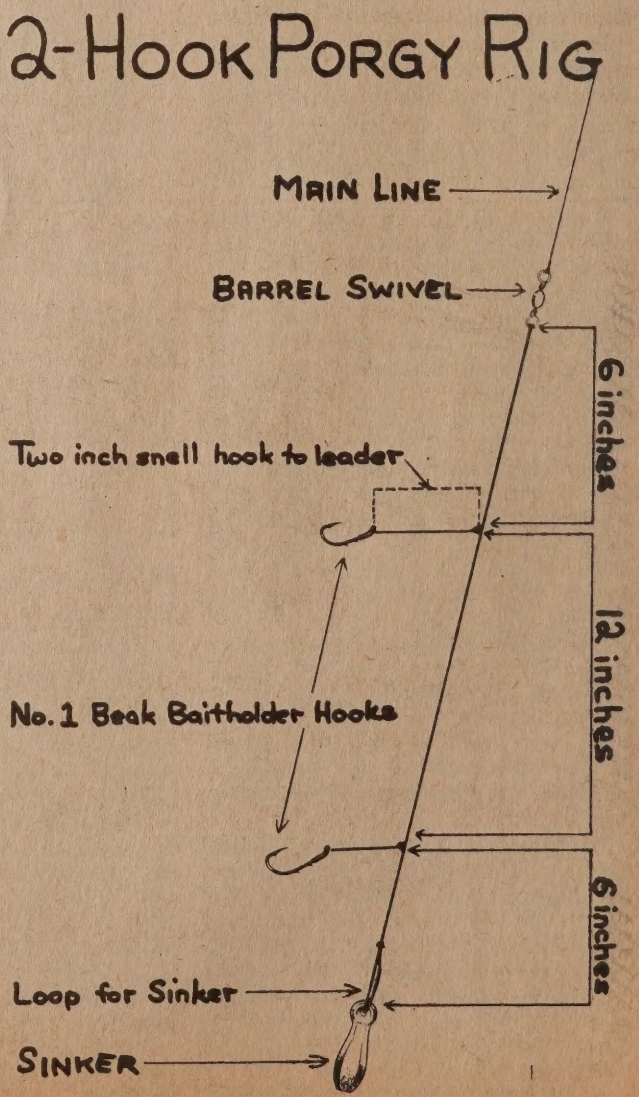
But, perhaps more important, not only are whole skimmer clams better bait, they are also much cheaper than the frozen variety. If you have any doubts on this, next time you buy a package of frozen clams for eighty or ninety cents, count how many clams you're actually getting for your money. (Would you believe as few as four?) Compare this to the going price of six dollars for a bushel of whole skimmer clams.

Rigging-up for porgies is easy. Take a piece of leader material about thirty-six inches long and attach a small barrel swivel to one end with an Improved Clinch knot. Tie an end loop that is large enough for your sinker to the opposite end. (The loop allows for quick sinker changes.) Attach two hooks to the leader, the first about six inches above the sinker and the second about twelve inches above the first.

The secret here is to attach the hooks to the leader on extremely short snells, two or three inches maximum. This holds the hooks away from the leader horizontally, preventing them from flipping back to foul on the leader, and allows for quicker setting of the hook.

As far as hook styles go, I prefer a No. 1 beak bait-holder. Although a number one hook is smaller than those usually used by most fishermen, I find their smallness to be a definite advantage in that the porgy can easily take it into its small mouth. If your hook or bait it too large, the fish will only peck at it and quickly remove it. Use small pieces of bait, about the size of your thumbnail, and thread it on the hook several times.

For tackle, I prefer a medium, one-handed spinning outfit loaded with ten or twelve pound test monofilament. I find this outfit has two distinct advantages over heavier conventional tackle: First, it provides more sport; second, it allows



The use of clam bellies for chum for large humpbacks will often produce an excellent catch.

you to detect the rapid bite of a porgy quicker.

Right about now you old-timers are probably shaking your heads and moaning "but you need a rod with backbone to hook a porgy!" WRONG! If you use sharp hooks and strike at the proper moment with several short, sharp jabs there is no reason you cannot hook and land as many (if not more) porgies than those who use conventional tackle.

There are many great porgy areas at Montauk close enough to the harbor for the smallest skiffs when weather conditions are good. A few of the more popular hotspots are Shagwong Rock, Great Eastern Rock, Ditch Plains and along the south side of the point inshore. Porgies are a social fish and, as a rule-of-thumb, where you find one there are scores more in the immediate vicinity. So your best bet is to pick out an area to fish and drift until you pick-up your first porgy. As soon as you do, lower the anchor (gently) over the side.

Once the anchor has set you can begin to chum. Break out one of the frozen milk cartons of clam bellies and cut off the carton with a knife. Of course, you must now do the right thing: Throw the carton in the water—trash fish love them, and over the years they form colorful artificial paper reefs.

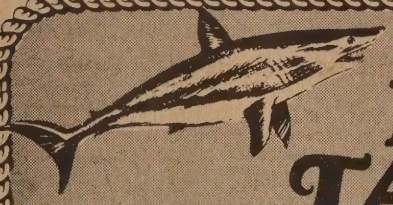
Place the frozen block of chum in the chum pot and gently lower it to the bottom off the stern of the boat. Keep the line short so that the pot remains close to the boat. If you have weighted it as advised, it will help keep the boat from swinging.

Give the chum about ten minutes to work bringing fish close to the boat. If you haven't started catching porgies steadily after fifteen minutes, pull up and try another area. That porgy you took drifting didn't know about the rule-of-thumb.

Once you have a school of fish swarming beneath the boat, the next step is to start hooking them, which can be trickier than it seems. A porgy usually hits with three rapid, sharp jolts: rap-rap-rap. If you wait until the third rap to strike, you'll get: rap-rap-rap—strike—miss.

He'll hit you a second time: rap-rap-rap—strike—miss—no bait. If you strike too early after the first rap, when the porgy is just holding your bait in his lips, you'll get: rap—strike—miss...rap—strike—miss—no bait. Which leaves you with the one crucial moment to strike—immediately after the second rap: rap, rap—strike—fish on.

Once you get the knack of when to strike, you should be pulling in more fish than baitless hooks. If you think you are striking correctly and are still being consistently cleaned of bait, try using smaller baits or hooks.



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THE BOTTOM LINE

with Matt Ahern

Catching Crabs

I don't know about you, but when August arrives I begin to think of putting in a little time crabbing. Forgotten for a spell is the pursuit of fluke, porgies, blues, etc.

Crabbing is the ideal sport for fishermen of all ages; the cost is negligible and the results are usually satisfactory.

Before we go any further: The crabber MUST return all undersized crabs; especially all females carrying orange-colored clusters of eggs called "sponges" on their abdomens. These crabs should never be kept. Many of these clusters contain from one to two million eggs. Incidentally, some local areas have a "five-inch law" on crabs, as measured from point to point. Obey this law and conserve the crab!

Locally, crabs are found in the shallow water around bulkheads, piers, bridge structures, spilings, creek banks, and from the tide line out into the deeper bay water.

Crabs usually put in an appearance toward the end of June, depending upon weather conditions. These early arrivals are usually average in size, and it isn't until late August and September when catches of larger crabs are more common.

If the weather stays mild, quite often the largest crabs are caught during October, as many flounder fishermen have discovered. It is the wise flounder fishermen who hangs a crab trap overboard at this time of year.

There are several methods used to catch crabs, each simplicity itself, and all guaranteed to produce much fun for young and old alike. Of these methods, about the most popular is the well-known crab trap, available in hardware and tackle shops for a nominal price. Directions for assembly and use are easily followed and the trap takes but a few minutes to put together. Bait with whole fish, fish heads, killies, spearing, and anything of a like nature.

Another method, one that affords more fun and action, is the use of a killie ring. This is made with any piece of scrap wire capable of maintaining a circular shape about five inches in diameter. It should be pliable enough so that each end can be hooked together after the bait is put on. (A metal coat-hanger will do the trick.) A sinker heavy enough to hold bottom is placed on the ring.

This type of crabbing is best done from an anchored boat, or where the ring can be lowered straight up and down. If the ring is dragged over rough bottom on the way in, the crabs are apt to become frightened and release their hold.

Any kind of line or cord can be used to lower the ring, but I would stay away from monofilament, for it has a tendency to snarl easily. Drop-line cord will be found to work best.

Use the largest killies found in the bait box and string them lengthwise, one behind the other, until the wire is full. Pass the wire through the killie's heads and out the vent. If killies are not available, use any of the baits listed for the trap.

Crabbing with this method is much like fishing, as the crab's tugging is telegraphed up the line to your hand. When this is felt the line is drawn slowly and smoothly to the surface in one continous motion. It isimportantnotto break the smooth flow of the retreive. If any hesitation of too long a period is felt, the crab will immediately release its hold on the bait.

When using the killie ring, it is best to have a buddy along to net the crab. A net is a must, as it is practically impossible to swing the crab out of the water before it lets go. This method is a lot of fun, and produces many crabs.

Many fishermen consider the following method the best of all; no bait is needed, just a net and the ability to be able to find crabs clinging to spiling or bulkheads. A boat is helpful, but not strictly essential. What you do is look for the crabs as they hold on to these various obstructions a foot or so below the surface. Then the net is placed under them and they are scooped in.

This method will also help you discover just how fast crabs can be. They disappear in a flash when alarmed, so the net must be plied with stealth and caution. It's a sure test of your coordination

Any of the methods mentioned afford fun and excitement, but for sheer exhilerating sport nothing beats night-time jacking with a boat, a brilliant light placed in the bow, and a long-handled crab net. This type of crabbing is usually done while anchored, but can be done drifting if conditions permit.

Crabs swim on the surface at night, more so than during daylight hours, and are attracted to the reflected glow of the light. 'as the crabs swim into the light's radius, the net is brought into use. An advantage of this is that they can be picked out according to size. The small ones are allowed to swim by unmolested. When crabs are moving, it isn't difficult to get dozens in a few hours. Pick out a warm, windless night for best results.

When we were kids, we believed crabs capable of cutting off a finger as easily as a meat cleaver. Not so, of course, but a crab can and will inflict a painful slash with those lightning-like, sharp-toothed claws, which is guaranteed to leave an aching reminder for several days.

The best way to pick up a crab is to place your foot gently over him, preferably from behind, then tightly grasp one of the rear paddle-like swimmerettes close to the body.

If kept cool and out of the sun, crabs will live a long time out of water. Should a mass of froth-like bubbles be noticed coming from their mouths, pour a bucket of salt water over them as soon as possible. This will revive them for awhile.

Incidentally, crabs are supposed to generate a gas soon after they die. Whether this is true or not, I don't know, and it may be an old wive's tale, but it is a good idea to keep them alive until ready for the cooking pot.

Crabs are prepared for the table by dropping alive into a pot of boiling water to which some salt may or may not be added. Boil for at least ten minutes. When cool, remove the top shell, and clean out insides under the faucet. Discard the gray, finger-like "dead men"along each side, and pick out the succulent white meat from body and claws with a nut pick. Um-m-m-m--good!

Should you be lucky enough to net a soft crab or two, leave whole and dip into cracker-meal and pan fry. It is hard to beat the taste of a fried soft crab sandwich. Delicious!

Go crabbing this summer, and don't forget to bring the kids. They'll love it.

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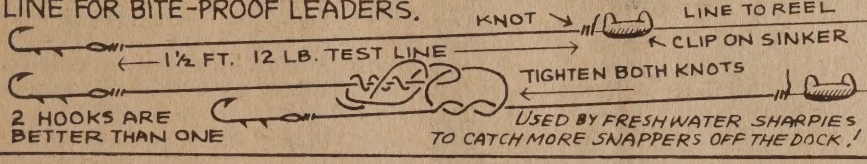

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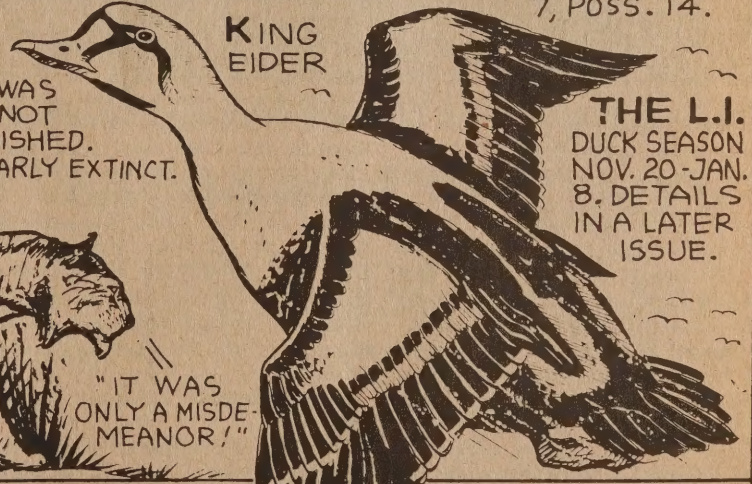

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Surf Side with Doc Muller

Year of the Ctenophore

It was late August, 1973, and was it hot! It was a pleasure just to escape the oppressive heat and be near the water, even if the gnats and mosquitoes welcomed me unanimously and the bass didn't.

All around me in the darkness I could hear the slaps and slurps of feeding school bass. The water was like a mirror, and after my eyes adjusted to the darkness I could see the fish rolling and small craters dotting the surface. Small baitfish, spearing and bunker were scattering in panic.

With a snide confidence I swung a Rebel plug into the melee. I retrieved slowly—nothing! Undaunted, I repeated the cast, but no runs, no hits, no fish! The plug was about the same size as the bait, the retrieve was good, and there were fish everywhere.

As the lure came in untouched for the third time, I made a careful check of its action in case the lip was broken or the hooks tangled. The lure and the line in front of it looked as if they were possessed by a demon. The lure was glowing and the light made even the hooks clearly visible.

Cosmic man! Good grief.

"Phosphorous." A voice behind me groaned.

Oh, great, I thought to myself. Now I'm hearing voices. It's a desolate stretch of beach and I rarely see anyone else. But the voice belonged to a regular that I've seen many times, and I rejoiced that the spirits hadn't singled me out for special treatment.

"No sense casting to these fish; they won't bite when it's glowin'."

Actually, the old regular was correct and incorrect at the same time. He was right that the fishing would most likely not be too productive, but he was mistaken to call the cause of the dilemma "phosphorous."

The phenomenon is caused by a group of small marine animals known as ctenophores (pronounced "ten-a-fours"—the c is silent). There are many species and they range in size from a fraction of an inch to several inches in diameter.

They are abundant in the warm waters of late summer and early fall and swimmers often mistake them for a type of jellyfish. Although they do have a superficial resemblance to jellyfish, they are not a member of that group and are in fact more advanced. In the daytime they are virtually invisible except in the clearest water or when washed ashore. But at night they become very visible due to their ability to produce biological light (bioluminescence).

When they are stimulated they emit a greenish light which is the result of mixing two chemicals together: Fireflies and many deep sea fishes produce light in a similar manner. Bioluminescence has value to the organisms that produce it by assisting in the feeding process, sexual attraction, warning-off predators, plus possible other poorly understood functions.

The presence of ctenophores in the waters of Long Island is a yearly event, but in the summer and fall of 1973 their abundance was nothing short of overwhelming in many places. From Breezy Point to Montauk to Hempstead Harbor the complaint was the same.

"Phosphorous"...Lousy night fishing!"

All this at a time of year when the fishing begins to pick up, but day fishing is still poor. Why the summer of 1973? What happened?

To begin with, we have had a series of warm water years which has been reflected by unusually long seasons on bluefish, bass, porgy, fluke, and other species. Second, there has been a great deal of rainfall which each year washed heavy amounts of nutrients into the shallow waters around Long Island. Third, in the late summer of 1973, when brief periods of cooler weather usually begin to cool our waters, we had a two week heat wave!

Even with the unusual heat, the consequences might have been less severe had the usual strong prevailing southwest wind been blowing, because this would have helped to mix the shallow heated water with the deeper cooler water. But day after day passed and there was little wind. The water became stratified, with ten or more degrees difference between the surface temperature and that of the water near the bottom of even shallow areas.

For example, I was fishing the outgoing tide one evening around Labor Day on a tidal flat in Long Island Sound, where small bass and blues usually gather to slaughter hordes of baitfish as the tide carries them off the flats. As the tide pulled the shallow water off the flats to my left, I began to sense the heat through my waders around my thighs, but my knees and ankles were reasonably cool. The stratification was incredible! The temperature near the surface must have been in the low 80's, while the water under it was in the upper 60's or low 70's.

What can the fisherman do to counteract the effects of ctenophores on night fishing? Well, not an awful lot. But remember that fish are unpredictable. In general, basic principles are just that—basic but not absolute! Good fishermen understand the basic theories of angling because playing the percentages pays off in more consistent catches.

That does not mean, however, that bass, blues, weaks, or any other game fish for that matter, won't take a glowing plug greedily on some occasions. I've seen schools of gamefish plowing through ghost-like schools of baitfish and hitting every lure offered, but such instances are not the rule. More often then not, even though the gamesters may be feeding, they won't take an artificial.

Why this is so I'm not exactly sure, because the baitfish that the gamefish are pursuing are glowing, too. Per-

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haps it is the line which may become visible, or the hooks, or it could be that the action of the artificial is revealed to be exactly what it is—artificial!

Nonetheless, there are a few things that the fisherman can do to improve the percentages. First, fish more at dusk and dawn and less at night. The bioluminescent process is inhibited by light and, furthermore, it takes a little while for the phenomena to get going once the sun sets.

Second, for that same reason fish the nights of the full moon because the light of the moon is enough to inhibit much of the luminescent activity.

Third, if you must fish on dark nights, do so when there is enough of a breeze to whip up the surface of the water a little. The wind-driven surface water has the animals in a constant state of stimulation and they tend to glow more or less continuously but at a lower level output. Use a plug that floats at such times, in order to take advantage of surface conditions.

All indications point toward another warm water year in 1974, and many of the same conditions that produced an abundance of ctenophores in 1973 might occur again. If history does repeat itself, let's hope that we have an early cold snap, clear skies for the full moon periods, and persistent gentle breezes.

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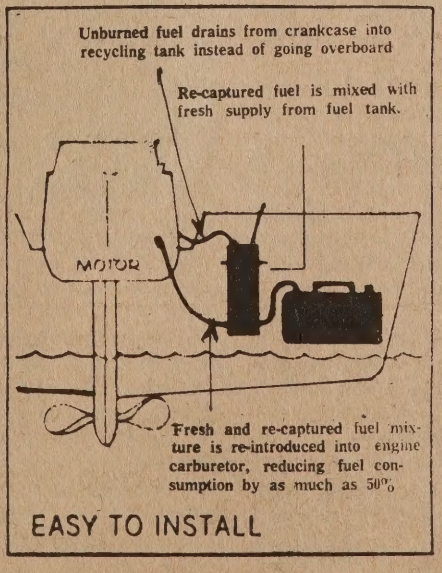
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One of the true experts at this game, Ronnie Lepper, has served bunker to big fish in probably every way except as "roast breast of bunker under glass;" I'm sure he's working on that one now. The big killer, though, is the bunker spoon; a lure which, when properly fished, produces results with capital letters.

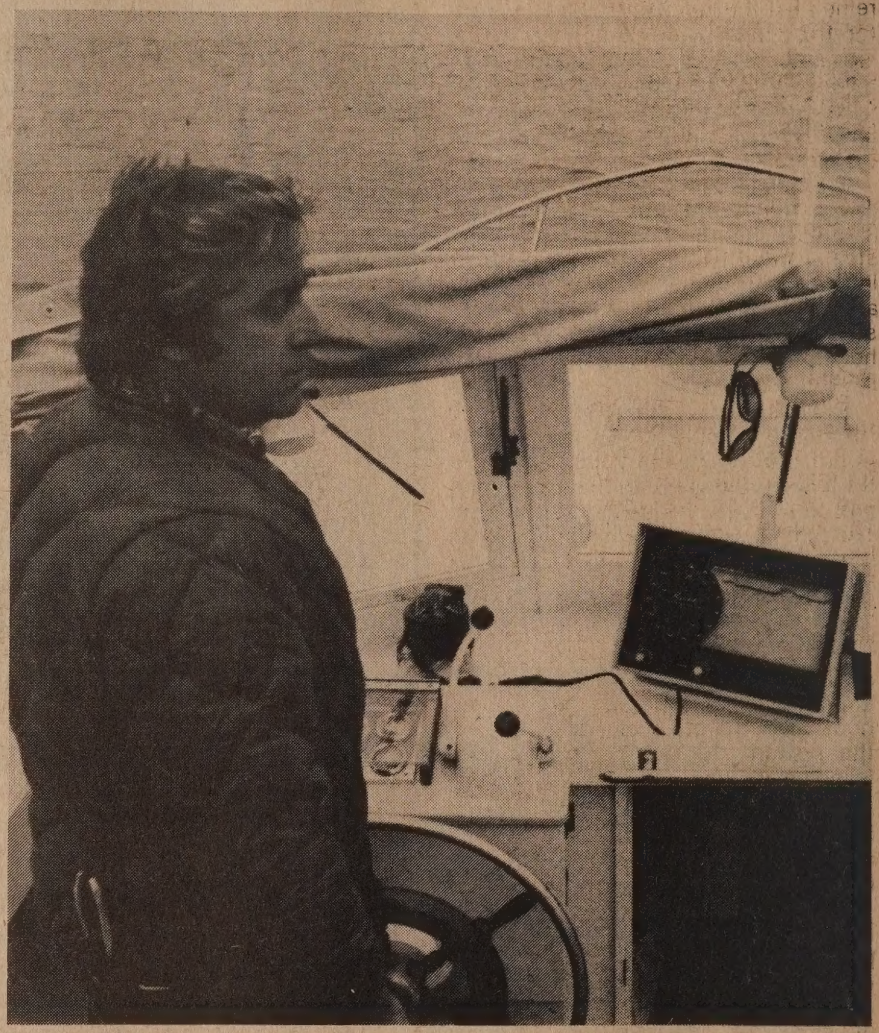
This lure is one of the best for use on bass and blues in untouched areas, and more 40-pound-plus bass have fallen to it than have to any other lure. This is the one lure to use when big bait is around: The ancient axiom of "big baits for big fish" holds true.

Most anglers, however, do not utilize bunker spoons as part of their battery of presentable lures and when they do use them, they are not used for long. This is unfortunate and is, I'm sure, due in large part to fishermen's lack of confidence in the metallic beast, and to their inability to use it properly. I certainly can't give you confidence unless you can catch fish with it, but, just maybe, you can learn enough here to use it as it should be used. The rest is up to you, and the time is now!

Ronnie Lepper first began using this lure in 1948 or '49; this was in the days prior to the present availability and popularity of wire for trolling, and monofilament was being used by such greats as Nick Kuzin, Al Urban and Charlie Rogell. In fact, Ronnie admits he first saw bunker spoons being used by Frank Costello, who, you'll remember, used to own the tackle shop on Third Avenue in the Big Apple when I was just a kid. The spoons were painted white. No accident, as I'll explain later.

These were beginnings of the "spoon days," and even with the limited amount of knowledge and technique that had been developed, these men were taking ten to twelve big fish a day by fishing mostly off the ends of the Rockaway Jetties, in relatively shallow water, with monofilament line. It's still a good area, by the way.

Today, a good Saturday or Sunday, will find 300 to 400 boats prowling around on the waters between Jones and Deb's Inlets, but 25 years ago you'd find only the same handful of 10 to 15 sharpies hunting the big fish.



Ronnie Lepper, aboard the "Kim," scans his Ross recorder for spikes that indicate fish.

According to Ronnie, during 1952-'53, for some reason the use of the big spoon died out in New York, possibly due to the movement away, with no replacements, of the great men that first used it here, but the lure continued to remain popular in New Jersey.

In 1969, however, Captain Lepper brought the bunker spoon back from its state of limbo and into its present ascension as an important part of the complete troller's arsenal of weaponry.

So much is history. But what of the use of this lure today? What is it? How does it work? Why? When does it work? Many questions remain unanswered, and when you learn the answers—they're no secrets. You may still decide not to use them; they're not everyone's meat.

THE SPOON

It's easy to ruin a bunker spoon: take a good one, tinker with it, adjust its components, try out your heart's desires—then kiss it goodbye. Everything imaginable has been tried before earings; rubber-handed trout hook; big, permanently-mounted treble; free-swinging trebles; ice-tongs; pull-away hooks; double hooks. All

terrific ideas—If the fish would consistently hit the spoon. Unfortunately, they didn't, because all the extra stuff made the spoon come to the surface. The boat had to be slowed to keep the lure down where it belonged, but then the spoon lost its enticing action. And before we get letters from the multitudes that successfully used the above mutations in the evolution of spoons, let's remember the key words: consistency for the majority of fishermen. There are anglers who could catch bass consistently on a typewriter fitted with a No. 12 Chestertown, but most of us—myself included—are not among that elite.

Eventually, all of Ronnie's trial-and-error finally brought us today's creation. It's a pre-bent, stainless steel, weighted-keel spoon with a large, fixed single hook, to which is attached a free-swinging 6/0, 3X strong treble. This combination of hooks is there for a reason; actually, several reasons.

Big bass hit a lure at the head. Since the spoon is being trolled, and the fish is not moving in the same direction, its mouth will slide along the spoon and may miss the rigid single hook. The bunker spoon is a violently active lure and normally you can count on missing 50% of the fish that strike, so the treble, swinging freely, offers a second chance at hooking that baby.

The treble should be attached to the single with a barrel swivel because unbelievably, a big bass on a fixed hook can crumple a bunker spoon on the bottom due to the tremendous leverage allowed: try crumpling one of those spoons in your hands to see if you can do as well. The swivel attachment does not permit the exertion of this leverage.

Keep this idea of leverage with fixed hooks in mind when looking over your plugs, and change to a through-wire with swivel attachments for hooks where necessary. Might save you that big one.

The spoon must not be thin, otherwise it will have a tendency to spin wildly—definitely not good, as I'll mention later when discussing the proper action. It should also be made of a heavy-weight, non-rusting material, since after one outing you may find yourself with rusty spoon; "rust" not being a good color to use.

Speaking of color: the best for the average troller is white—it has proven to be the most consistent producer for bass. If you carry fifty or sixty spoons aboard your boat, you could add one or two gold, and perhaps a single "Day Glo" type yellow for those days when the water is so murky that visibility is limited to under six inches. But gold and "glow" yellow are only fair producers, at best, and the average guy—with three or four spoons to his name—should stay with white.

Another factor that distinguishes the good bunker spoon are keels that all weigh the same. Hand-pouring allows hollow spaces to form; two otherwise physically identical spoons may have critical differences in weight. Also, keels should be dead center—along the keel-line of the spoon—for uniformity and consistency in centerline balance.

Buying spoons is always a devilishly trial-and-error business, and you will have to learn to keep only the good ones.

There will be times when you find a spoon that is a winner—whether you buy it that way or make some adjustment to an average spoon that causes it to become irresistible to big bass.

Mark it by making a tiny notch with a triangular file so you don't lose track of it when it becomes mixed with your other spoons. 'fish it in the same position every time, and mark it as such with indelible marker. Man, don't let it out of your sight! Watch your friends closely: there comes a time when the dividing line between friendship and catching bass becomes violated. Take it with you when you leave your boat, and lock it up when you get home.

(Next week: Tackle and Techniques in using bunker spoons, Lepper-style.)

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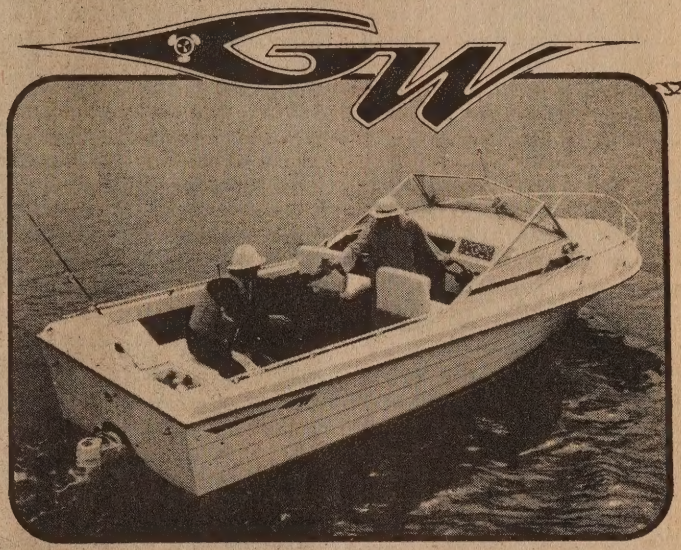

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BAY BUM:
Some Old Family Recipes by Tom Franza

There are many meals that are quick and easy to prepare. Or they may be made in advance, perhaps during the cool of the morning, so that your wife doesn't have to "slave over a hot stove."

Coincidentally, many of these dishes just happen to have seafood as their main ingredient. Let's face it, fella's, you've got to do something with all those fish you catch besides using them to fertilize your tomato plants.

"Spaghetti with Crabs in Marinara Sauce"

First, you prepare your basic Marinara sauce. Take three to five good-sized cloves of garlic and cut them up into small pieces. Fry these in the bottom of your pot in about three tablespoons of olive oil until they are golden brown (be careful not to burn them). To this add one large can of tomato puree. Season with oregano, salt, pepper, and a pinch of sugar to taste, and cook slowly over low heat for 35 to 40 minutes. Whether or not you dance the **tarantella** while waiting for the sauce to cook is optional.

If you are feeling ambitious some day, multiply this recipe by five or six and then divide the result equally into jars and freeze. It will be all ready for you the next time you get a yen for some sauce. This, by the way, can be used with equal success with clams, lobsters, or shrimps, as well as it can be with the crabs.

To return to the cooking—take your crabs and dip them into HOT water for about five seconds. This will stun them and make them safe to handle, saving you your thumbs and much cursing and swearing. Scrub the crabs well, and crack the carapace and remove the body of the crab from this shell. Next, clean the stomach out of the crab. Now take the crab and drop it into the sauce. Cook for about 15 minutes or until done. While the crabs are cooking, boil some spaghetti (thin spaghetti) until they are done **aldente** (firm but tender).

Strain the spaghetti and place it in a large serving dish. Take the sauce and crabs and pour over the spaghetti. This should be done with a great deal of flourish and fanfare. Now you are ready to lean back and humbly accept the rave reviews and plaudits which are about to be thrown your way. One word of advice: serve this meal with plenty of napkins and a wet wash cloth or two for the younger ones at the table, as it is kind of messy to eat.

"Barbecue for Fish"

For those who insist on barbecueing, I offer my mother-in-law's recipe for fish. After the coals are going nicely, cover the grill with a large sheet of aluminum foil. Then take a large, meaty fish (either a blue or a weak will do nicely) and clean it. Leave it whole, but slit it several times on both sides before placing it on the aluminum foil. Now for the secret...while your fish is cooking, baste it frequently on both sides with a sauce made from equal parts of olive oil and vinegar that has been **liberally** seasoned with minced garlic, oregano, salt and pepper. When the fish is done, bone it and put it on a flat platter, garnish it with lemon and lime wedges, and a few sprigs of parsley. Serve this with a white wine or a slightly fruity rose, and it is guaranteed to beat a barbecued chicken any day of the week.

"Baked Clams"

Take about three cups of unflavored bread crumbs—use the store bought kind or grate them yourself on a cheese grater while humming the lilting strains of your favorite aria. **Never** try grating them in an electric blender or you might do as I once did and slip and chop your finger in the whirling blades.

Back to the unseasoned bread crumbs: To these add a generous amount of garlic, either freshly crushed or powdered, and a large helping of grated parmesan cheese. Now throw in a tablespoon of oregano and a spoonful of parsley. Note: all these proportions are to taste, so you will have great fun experimenting.

Now add a dash of salt and a pinch or two of pepper along with a cup of oil. Blend this all together and throw in about ten or twelve clams that have been finely chopped and drained. This mixture will be sufficient to serve two people at the rate of about 25 clams per person (figure on smaller portions for the kiddies). Remember, I said this was in place of all other food, so don't balk at the numbers.

Open your 50 clams and discard the juice. I realize that discarding this juice may seem like a sacrilege to many of you, but fear not as the little devils are quite loaded with the stuff and more will come out in the cooking. Separate the clam from the shell and discard one half the shell.

Arrange these clams on the half shell on a large cookie sheet covered with aluminum foil. It is a good idea at this point to closely examine each clam to see that no small piece of splintered shell has accidentally worked its way in. If you should miss a piece, don't worry about swallowing it. You will quickly discover its location when that electrifying pain shoots through the nerves in your tooth as you bite down on it during dinner.

Tightly pack each of these clams with a generous spoonful of the mixture. After the clams have been stuffed, drizzle a little olive oil across the top of each one for added moisture while cooking. Bake in a 400 degree oven for five to ten minutes or until golden brown. Serve these with a gin and tonic or a rum collins and you have a treat that is hearty enough to satisfy all of your desires, yet light enough to make your summertime day-dreams come true.

Let's face it. I have nothing against meat and enjoy a good steak as much as the next guy. But:

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COMING NEXT:

The Lost Art of Clamming

SOUTH SHORE Fishing Report

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MONTAUK

Johnny Kronuck Tackle Shop reported some bluefish action along the beaches throughout the weekend. Some school bass were mixed in with these fish. Hopefully the cooler weather and the storm on Labor Day will start some movement in the bass which are there.

Capt. Frank Pike on the **Leatherneck** reports trolling bluefish off the Point during the day. Early in the morning a few striped bass were taken from there also. Offshore mako and blue sharks are in good quantity along with some tuna of about 20 lbs.

The Cartwright Grounds has produced good bluefish action for the fares on **Triton II** according to Capt. Dick Vigilant. Chumming and bait fishing brings blues up to 15 or 18 lbs. on board. Some bonita have been taken but no tuna although the prospects look good. On friday Dick had the Garcia Company representatives out to test some of their reels. He said some of their new reels that shift gears is fantastic.

On Sunday, the **Family Affair,** owned by Hans Fredericks was fishing in 80 feet of water, south and west of rudar towers. According to AL Bergonzi of the Anchorage Anglers they had nine fluke going from 6 to 16 lbs. They were using snappers and fluke belly. Charles Suchanek caught the 16 lb. fluke with a snapper.

According to **Gone Fishing Marina** skiff fishermen to go after. The fluke are way off south of the Point in about 70 feet of water while the porgies are along the north side and out to Great Eastern Rock. Bob Harder, Sam Blasi and Paul Shanker all of East Bay Anglers had 27 fluke between them. The largest was 8 lbs and none were smaller than 3 lbs. They fished in 60—70 ft. of water, south of the radar towers. There was a blitz of blues at the beach west of Hither Hills State Park over the weekend and then they moved offshore. Good flounder fishing in Lake Montauk.

"Even you (your reporter) could catch bluefish in the Race," quoting Capt. George Glas of the Hel-Cat. The blues are at the Race because of the abundance of bait swept through there and get to be big and fat because of it. Everybody catches fish.

Al Wolf of Brooklyn, left, hefts a 32 lb. pollack while Tony Kazcmarck of Wading River hefts his 47-pound codfish. Both were taken on August 26th aboard the Viking Star at Montauk.

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Capt. Bud Dorman of the **Viking Skipper** said no one was disappointed in the porgy fishing. They are working around the tides at Shogwong, North Grounds, Great Eastern and "under the guns". zthere are plenty of porgies here along with good size sea bass.

Capt. Brad Glas of the **Helen II** reports the fluke are in solid on the south side and are big — 3 to 8 lbs. and better. He is fishing Church's and Frisbee. During the slack they get sea bass and at Rocky Hill at slack water are real big ones of 2 to 3 lbs.

Lori Nappi called to report that Capt. Charles Nappi on the **Sea Witch** won the striped bass division of the Montauk Marine Basin Tournament. He trolled a 31 lb. bass on a bucktail early on Saturday morning. He then went offshore where he had 5 tuna and a blue and a mako shark. Sunday the catch was 20 tuna, 2 blue sharks and one mako.

PROMISED LAND

Art Brand at **Promised Land Fishing Station** reports good porgy fishing. The fluke have slacked off somewhat but are still available in good quantities if you are patient. Small blues of 1—2 lbs. are at Cartwright Island and are being trolled or cast to.

SAG HARBOR

Helen Jacobsen at **Noyac Marina** reports Curtiss Carter of Newark and Quincy Neio of Elizabeth, Ernie Johnson and Charlie Moore Jr. of Elizabeth fished just outside the channel and to the left and caught 50 weakfish to 3 lbs. over 150 porgies, a few kings and 2 blues. Bait was squid and bloodworms.

Another angler came in with 24 weaks. Large blowfish have been caught off North Haven. Noyac Marina is now giving 20% off on boat and motor rentals for the fall.

SHINNECOCK

Capt. Clark Bellows Jr. reports weakfish are throughout the whole

W.L. Woods, J. Lloyd and J. Neal of St. Albans, with 3 bushels of 1-2 lb. porgies, a few blowfish and 1 fluke, taken 8/19/74 south of Gardiner's Is in one of Promised Land's skiffs.

north end of the Bay. On Friday he took the **Capt. Clark II** and had 285 weaks for 16 fares and was back at the dock by 3 P.M. The weaks are also at the north end of the canal. The weaks weigh in at 1½ to 2½ lbs. Some porgies are being caught which go 1½ lbs.

Mickey at **Altenkirchs Tackle** reports good marlin and shark fishing offshore. Closer into shore the bluefish has slowed down during the week but picked up well over the weekend. Fluke are in the Basket Area of the East Channel. In the inlet on Sat. and Sun. a fisherman using the squid lure with a built in chum picked up over 50 fluke one day and about 40 on another. The fluke ran from 3 to 8 lbs. Snappers are all over the bay and canal.

HAMPTON BAYS

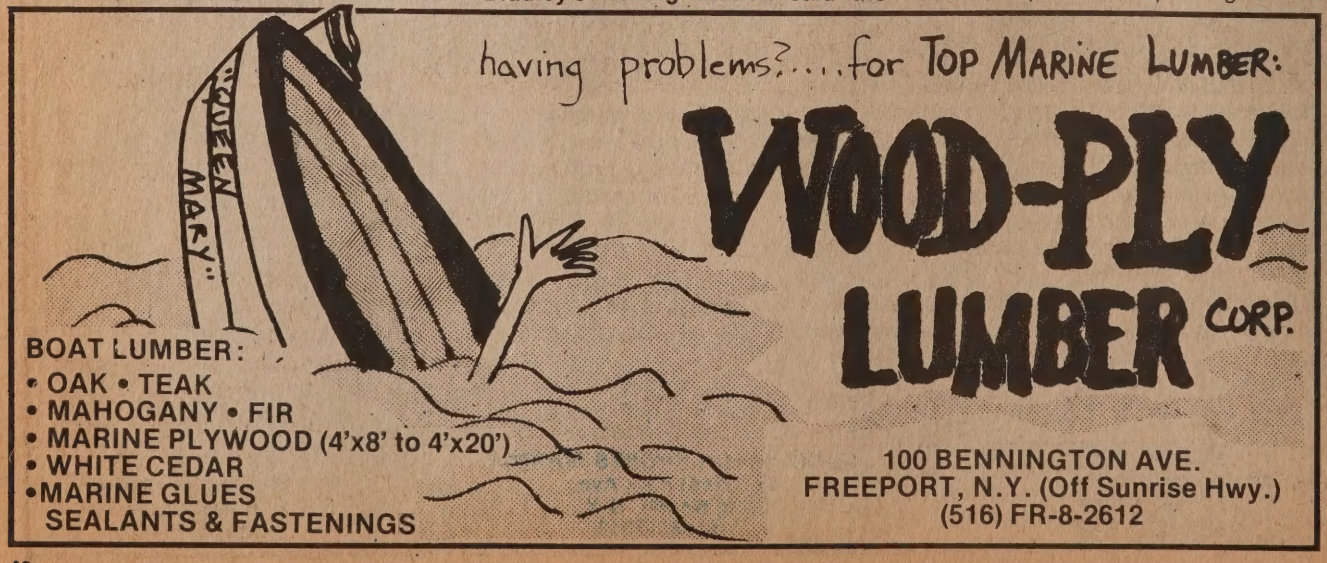
Bradley's fishing Station said the fluke are doing well in the East Channel at the Basket Are. Squid and spearing are the bait. The fluke go from 2—4 lbs. Weaks and porgies are plentiful north of the Canal in the Peconics.

Tony's Fishing Station reports good fluke fishing near the inlet. Porgies were abundant at the same spot when the tide slacked. Snappers are all over the bay.

MORICHES BAY

Nancy at **Skidmores Fishing Station** said there is very good weak fishing in the hole at buoy42. The weaks seem to want squid bait only — no lures. Fluke fishing is good in the Old Cut with the catch about 50/50 keepers. Try drifting with squid on a spinner rig.

Cerullo Bros. Fishing Station said the fluke fishing is now mostly in the Old and New Cuts and is picking up. Killies, squid and spearing are the



These six "weaks" and three "blues" were taken from the Hampton Bays surf by a novice caster Nancy Kruse, age 13, (center). Her sister Karen (left) age 12 and Pam Hamilton age 12 (right) who assisted in some reeling. Eight small blues were also returned. The lure used was a small Hopkins "Shorty".

bait. Some flounders which are small are at buoy 32 with spotty action.

Patricia Cole at **Moriches Bait & Tackle** reports better than fair fishing off the mouth of Forge River and by buoy 26. The fluke fishing seems to be waning. Weakfish are taking sandworms west of Smith Point bridge at night. Striped bass are also taking the same sandworms there. On the beaches outside line eels are taking bass up to 22 lbs.

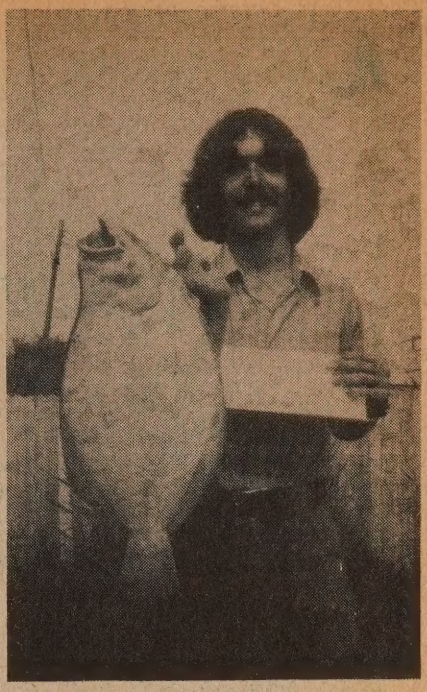
MASTIC BEACH

Ron at **Keenans Fishing Station** said the weakfishing is very good both day and night. Fishing the west side of Smith Point bridge with sandworms and sandworms only are getting some boats 30 or 40 of 1½ to 3 lb. fish. Blue claw crabs are all over and plentiful. Some minor flounder action. Fluke fishing has either waned or the weakfish action has taken preference. The fluke are still being caught in the channels between the buoys.

WEST SAYVILLE

Dennis at **South Bay Fishing Station** says the fishing was just good but that the snapper blues and blue claw crabs were excellent. The crabs are in the Connetquot River and alongside the docks. 'good weakfishing west of the station but not as far as Heckscher Park. Fluke are around some buoys and by drifting in any of the straight line channels.

Doug Young of **Youngs Fishing Station** in Sayville had two people from cradle state of the democracy, Virginia who caught 25 weakfish just 100 feet off the Browns River jetty. They used bucktails and Kastmasters on Saturday afternoon to catch these 2-3 lb. weaks. Weakfishing and blues are being caught just west of the jetty. Quite a few kingfish have been taken.



Carl Reinheimer of East Northport took this 5-pound fluke in the Old Cut in Moriches Bay. zphoto courtesy of Skidmore's Fishing Station.

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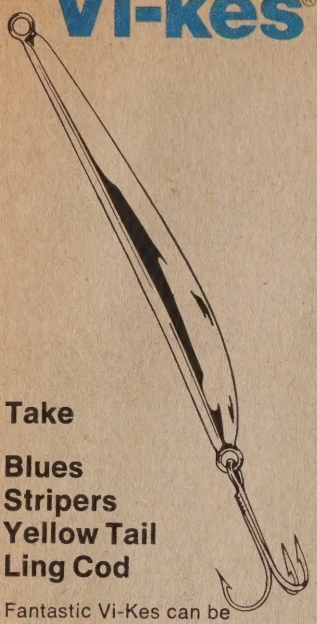

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CAPTREE

George Tweedy of the **Capt. Scotty** said he will be taking a limited number of fishermen tuna fishing. He has located several prime tuna fishing areas which seem ripe about now. You will leave at 10 A.M. and fish until dark with a return at the basin approximately 9 or 10 p.m. While enroute to the fishing grounds you will be trolling and once there chumming will start. Trolled fish have gone from 8 to 15 lbs. while the chummed fish are somewhat larger.

Noel Kapauff of the **Captree Bait Station** reports good snapper fishing at the Overlook and Fire Island piers. The Fire Island pier also has fluke and flounder action. The Sore Thumb has been giving up weakfish to anglers using line snappers. Weakfish up to 9 lbs. have been caught both day and night.

Pattie Litwin may now be addressed as Captain. Capt. Ben Litwins daughter passed he Coast Guard test with flying colors and now holds a license good for 100 miles offshore from Block Island to Cape May. To our knowledge she is only the second female captain on the South Shore of Long Island. Congratulations Pattie and the best of luck!

Good fluke fishing has been reported by the open boat **Capt. Ben Litwin.** The Inlet has been a consistent producer. Some catches have run as high as 14 keepers.

Capt. Roman of the Captree Queen reports good fluke fishing both inside the bay and outside of the inlet. The fish areof equal size according to Capt. Roman.

Capt. Sewanson II has been working the Captree bridge and the inlet area for fluke. The fish have run keepers on up with the fishing nice and steady.

BABYLON

Angie's Tackle Shop reports good weakfishing at the inlet. Fluke fishermen are picking up plenty of 5 to 7 lbs. weaks on their rigs. Smaller weaks of 2 lbs. are in the West Channel. Good plugging for bluefish at the inlet until about 10 A.M. These fish go yo 5 lbs. or better. Some blowfish and porgies were caught at the artficial reef inside and crab fishing. Clam chummers are getting about 3 fish per tide but are not bragging about their size. Tuna were in 90 feet of water all through the weekend.

LINDENHURST

Capt. Bill Hoffman of the **Sea Horse** has been doing great on the fluke at the Fire Island Inlet. This past week has been wonderful. The coming cooler weather should keep these fish coming for a couple of weeks or more.

AMITYVILLE

Jonas Bait & Tackle reports very good porgy and snapper fishing along with quite a few sea bass at the Copaigue Hole on out to Amityville. Small blues have been hitting smelts and line killy baits intended for fluke at the Fire Island inlet. The fluke fishing is very good at the inlet to the bell buoy and out to the reef. These are big fish to 5 or 7 lbs. There are more and more striped bass being picked up at the bridges on clam bellies. These bass run up to 10 or 12 lbs.

SEAFORD

Pop's Fishing Station said the fluke action is good. The Black Bank which is an island on the east side of the third bridge is the best spot. Try using line killies for bait. Most of the Fluke are keepers and are fat. Lots of snappers and crabs around.

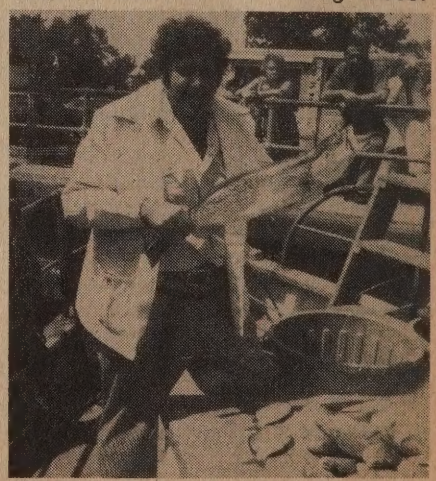
Mike'ss Rowboat Station reports a lot of snappers. The crabs being caught now are larger than before. Fewer fluke are being caught but the weakfish are coming in stronger everyday by the third bridge. Use line killies on the fluke and squid for the weaks.

WANTAGH

Frank Hecker of **Causeway Bait and Tackle** said there are plenty of crabs and snappers. Striped bass are being caught off the beach at Field 9 with some blues mixed in with them. These fish are hitting eels, clams and sandworms. A lot of small bass are being clam chummed at the bridges. These fish are also hitting sandworms. Weakfish have shown up pretty strongly. They are around most bridges and some channels. These fish want mostly squid.

MERRICK

Whaleneck Marina says they are getting loads of fluke at the Stone Barge and in the inlet. Squid, spearing and if you can get them, sand eels. A lot of small blues of 3 or 4 lbs. are bein trolled in front of the Jones Beach Tower. These fish are hitting tubes.



Jeff Kivet of Woodmere caught these 175 porgies and 6-pound weakfish off the Tin Can Grounds on an open boat out of Sheepshead Bay.

N.Y. BIGHT Fishing Report

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FREEPORT

The **Starstream II** reports great action on blues, tuna and albacore. Running to Jersey, Capt. Richie has had blues to 14 lbs. Wed., hi-hook was 36 giant blues, 8 — 14 lbs.

Capt. Lou II skipper Lou DiBlasio reports very good fluking in the inlet and at the offshore wrecks, fish to 6 lbs.

Al Lindroth of the **Capt. Al** has produced blues, tuna and bonito for fares this week, between Cholera and the Acid waters. Some days are better than others, says Al, but there's always action of one kind or another. Bonito excellent on slack water to 6 lbs. The Albacore should be improving on a day by day basis.

The **Aloma II** is picking blues South of Cholera and expecting large schools of big choppers soon. These schools are now off Maine, and must return this way. Good green bonito catches. One of the most delicious fish around.

The **Jack Vi** is having fair—good fluke catches, in the inlet and at local wrecks.

Jim Zook of the **Capt. Jim V** called to report excellent weakfishing under the local bridges on clam chum, to 7½ lbs. Fair bass, sameplace and method to 15 lbs., and an occasional small blue.

POINT LOOKOUT

Junior II reports Sat. and Sun. a load of fluke was caught at the local wrecks, to 7 lbs. 70 blues were trolled, to 3 lbs. in front of Long Beach and Lilco. A couple of tuna, also. Capt. Andy is picking fish from the Whistle Buoy on out to Cholera.

Capt. Art of the **Angler II** on Mon., Tues., & Wed. had blues at Cholera; small at night, big during the day. Bonito, tuna and albacore rounding out the catch.

Ed's Fishing Station reports fair—good fluking in Reynolds Channel up to the black buoys and in the flats, to 3 lbs. Snappers galore and weaks off Lido for the boats. Blacks at the bridges. Tuna and bonito in 110 feet of water.

ISLAND PARK

Capt. Clem of the **Commodore** reports that he's had very good fluking during the week at local wrecks and on the weekend, ran off Jersey for excellent fluking, fish to 8 lbs.

Bill at **Beckmann's Tackle** in Lynbrook tells of good catches of small blues in the inlets and close to shore on poppers and Hopkins for surfcasters. Also some bass along the beaches. One 34 pounder was weighe

in during the week and other small fish taken too. Poppers and Hopkins—around the jetties. Bingle Boa Jr's. are hot trolling lures for the blues right now. Fluke tapering off a bit. Good weakfishing at the bridges.

LONG BEACH

Ralph at **B.J. Bait & Tackle** reports fluking still good in Reynolds Channel, with big snapper blues as a bonus. Bluefish off the Grand Ave. and N.Y. Ave. jetties on the ocean side from dawn/afternoon on Atom poppers, Rebels and Hopkins.

ATLANTIC BEACH

Sy at **Hennings Fishing Station** reports fluking good from buoy 5 to buoy 10 in the inlet. They're big, 2 weighing in at 6 and 7 plus. Also, mucho snapper blues in 1½ lb. class. Blues are all over the place off shore, Rockaways for trollers and hot for chummers further west thru the Jersey Coast. A 31 lb. tuna was trolled at the NC Buoy on a Leather jig. The Atlantic Beach Bridge should very soon house sea bass and blacks. Schoolies can be chummed there now. "Fishing's great!" says Sy.

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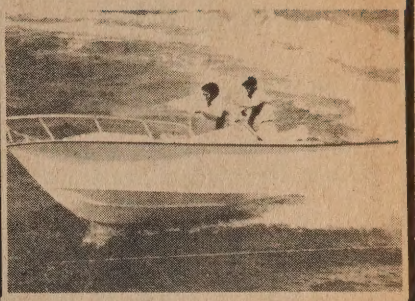

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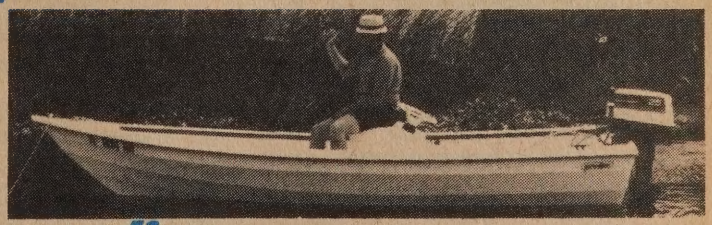

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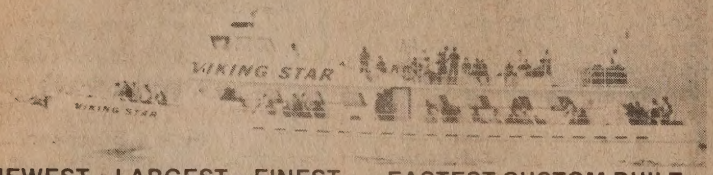

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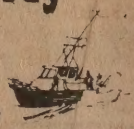

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SHEEPSHEAD BAY

"Lots of fluke," says Mike at **Mikes Bait & Tackle,** between the bay, the highlands and Seabright. Youngster Valerie Rogers of Brooklyn weighed in an 11 pounder on Sunday caught on the Rainbow. Loads of porgies off the Rockaways, Breezy Pt. Jetty, Tin Can Groounds and the artificial reef. Occasional humpbacks to 3 lbs. 70—90 fish per angler is not unusual. Bluefishing is very good from the open boats, with bigger fish hitting days, and a little smaller fish for the nite runs. A hot number for blues from the open boats is the Bingle Banana — red or green daytime, black or blue at night.

Vinnie at **Salvo's Bait & Tackle** reports loads of big blues at Nortons Pt. "The fish are big and they're in thick," says Vinnie. You can troll surge tubes and the fish are now within reach of surfcasters. Bass are being chummed on skimmer bellies off Breezy Pt. and in the A.M. only off the seawall with surface plugs between Bay Pkwy. and 69th Stree. Bass under the Veranzano Bridge on bottom fished worms. Fluke on the C.I. flats.

The **Tone B** on Sat. and Sun. had great fluking off Jersey—Breil, Seabright and Long Branch—all fish 6-10½ LBS.

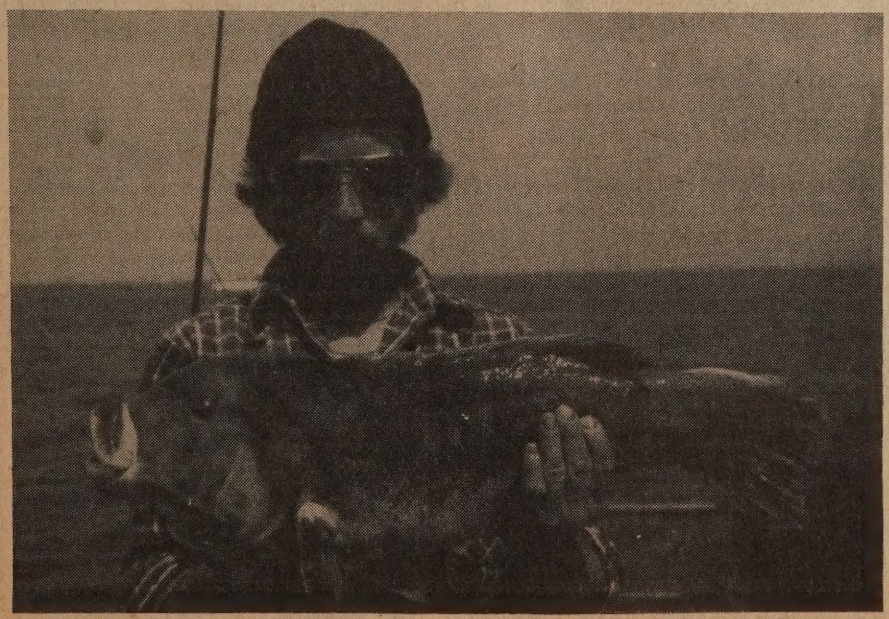
Capt. John of the **Apache III** has been taking blues and a few chummed tuna off Seabright. John says that a Bingle Banana retrieved slowly thru the chum slick is murder of the choppes.

Amberjack IV is having terrific blue fishing off the Jersey coast, day and nite runs, says Capt. Fred Ardolino. Also, tile trips coming up later in month.

Capt. Rocky of the **Tampa V** tells us the blues are big and being taken in volume from Seabright to Manasquan, The days and night runs are having fantastic catches. The Tampa V has several tile fishing trips coming up.

STATEN ISLAND

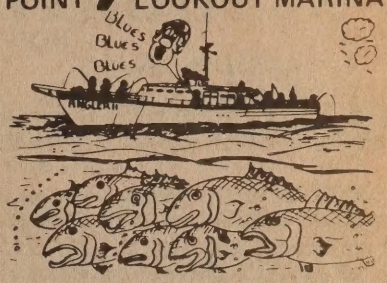
Lennie at Santos Sporting Goods informs us that the South Beach and storm sewer areas have slowed for blues, but should improve again. Greak Kills Park is quiet, beachwise. The jetty has snappers, fluke and lafayettes. Great Kills Harbor for crabs and snappers and lafayettes. Princess Bay of S.S. White dental works is producing fluke in the surf and weaks in the 1½-4 lb. class, on bottom fished worms. Buoy 39 off Mt. Loretta for 3-4 lb. weaks on drifted worms. Anadale's Buoy 4 for weaks. This was a blue hot spot Sat. and Sun. in the late A.M. Hoffman and Swindburn Islands for schoolie bass on trolled umbrella rigs or drifted worms.



Mike Rooney, mate aboard the Apache in City Island, hold the 11-pound blackfish he took on a fiddler crab in the Smithtown Bay area. Photo courtesy of Jack's Bait & Tackle.

Point Lookout Island Park

Angler II
POINT LOOKOUT MARINA



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GREENPORT

Good bluefishing reports **Art Whites Bai Shop.** Pigeons Rip, the Race, east of Gardiners Island and the ruins north of there are all prime spots for these blues. Porgy fishing is best on the south side of Plum Island and east of Gardiners. Striped bass action is mainly in the evening and you have to work for them jigging or trolling. Working swimming plugs from the beaches at East Marion and Orient do well but if you can get big bass worms the catch will improve greatly.

ORIENT POINT

Peter Lieblin at **Port of Egypt Fishing Station** said there was very

Chris Rance, 13, proudly displays the 31-pound striped bass ge took in the Gilgo surf last week.

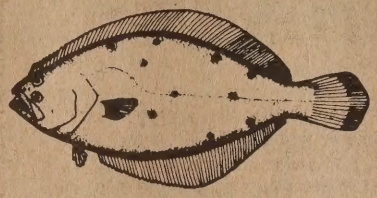
mackeral chunks on the incoming tide. Snappers are being caught by the basketful.

PORT WASHINGTON

Moreland's Bait & Tackle said the blues have been just holding up. Nothing great but there are plenty of snappers. Good porgy fishing on the sandy spots. Sunday the kids were out worming and caught 17 small bass. On Saturday morning Marion Garerdin picked up a 37 lb. striped bass all by herself using a line bunker off the point.

CITY ISLAND

Jacks bait & Tackle said they have blues in the shallow water from Robins Neck to the City Island bridge every morning since Saturday for about three hours. These big blues that go to 14 lbs. have taken mackeral bait as well as any tin or popping plug you throw at them. Worm fishing at Harts Island, the CBS towers and at Sands Point. Most of these porgies are about ¾ of a pound.



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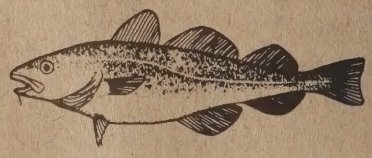

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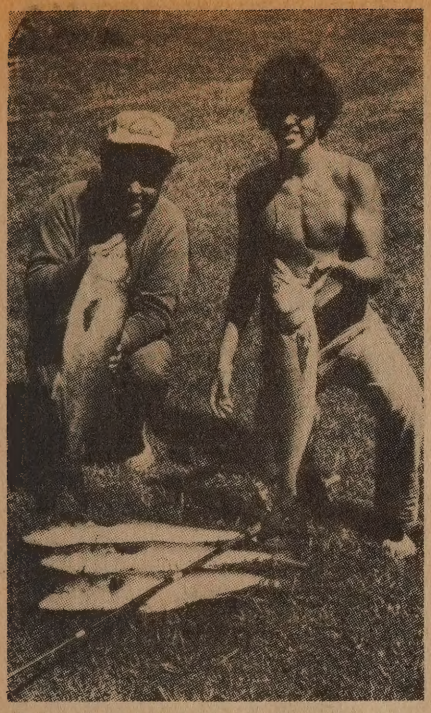

Tony Catanza and son Frank proudly display the 5 and 10-pound bluefish they caught in Huntington Harbor.

good porgy fishing at South Ferry, bouy 16 and at the abandoned lighthouse northeast of Shelter Island. There was some very good weakfishing at buoy 16 and north of the windmill at Green Lawns. A Lot of blowfish were caught at Paradise Point and buoy 12. This weekend sees the opening of the Orient Point station where the blues and bass fishing is just great.

NEW SUFFOLK

Capt. Marty's Fishing Station reports very good weaks and porgy action on Saturday and Sunday. Nassau Point and the tower at Rose's Grove all have an abundance of these fish. Weaks are in the 1-3 lb. range. A lot of blowfish showed up in the North Race at Robins Island over the weekend. Snappers are aplenty.

JAMESPORT

Warren's tackle center in Aquebogue reports good porgy and weakfishing. The weaks seemed to have changed their diet to sandworms from squid. You can do very good using sandworms in the bay by Robbins Island and buoy 4. Bluefish ar

taking whole bunker and chunks fished from the beaches at Mattituck. Some of these blues have gone to 19 lbs. Plenty of bass off these same beaches but you have to hunt for them. Ask Warren as he caught a mess of them this past weekend.

MT. SINAI HARBOR

Ralph's fishing Station reports the bluefish have taken bunker from the beaches. Porgies are out deep and taking woms. The catch on the fish varies. Off Miller Place is good porgy fishing with weakfish mixed in.

PORT JEFFERSON

On Tuesday night, Aug. 20, **Rick Heckler** of Oakdale caught a 19 lb. 2 oz. blue from his own boat. He fished a live bunker outside of Port Jeff harbor.

Capt. John Fischer of the **Bett W** reports the bottom fishing for porgies is holding up well with an occasional fluke being caught. The daytime bluefishing remains slow but on the weekend the nightime results have improved greatly. Sunday saw the biggest of the season come over the rail. Tony Costello of St. James brought in a 16 lb. blue.

NORTHPORT

Bowman's Sporting Goods reports continued excellent bluefishing.- Northport, Centerport and Huntington Bay are all producing well. Drifting bunker is the old standby but trolling with a whole squid has been just short of fabulous. In the bay and out in the Sound there are blacks showing as well as plenty of porgies. The docks all have plenty of snappers.

HUNTINGTON

Thursday morning your reporter took the 3 A.M. bluefishing trip on the **Ever-Ready Fleet**. Although only one blue of 6 lbs. was caught there were several of the fares who raved about the blue fishing prior to that day. Observing other boats in the area at that time I saw only one other fish taken. A check taken later on that weekend saw the fishing return to normal with good catches. Capt. Bob Frank and his mate Dottie are to be commended for their efforts to find fish and put them on board.

Four Winds Tackle reported a lull in the bluefishing in the middle of the wek. Although the bunker were thick in the bays not too many fish were taken. The weekend saw an upsurge in good bluefishing. Striped bass have been taken by boats using worms off Marshall Field.

COLD SPRING HARBOR

John Frederico of Hermans Sporting Goods in N.Y.C. reports good bluefish action out in the Sound. He fished from a skiff rented at the **Veterans Fishing Station**. Trolling deep with wire line and red and black 3½ oz. Tri-Fin lure he caught a load of blues from 5 to 9 lbs.

GLEN COVE

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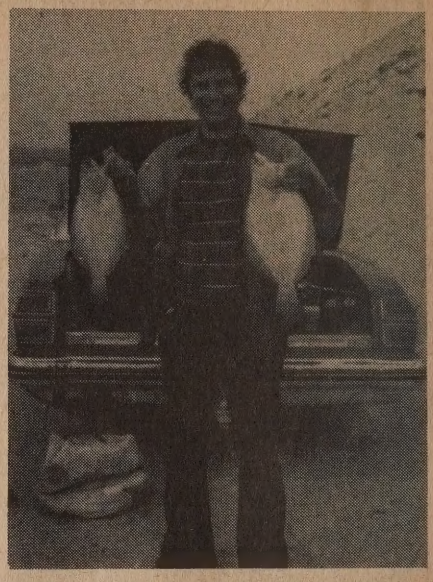

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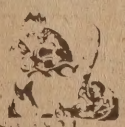

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feet of line. I immediately tightened my drag and horsed my fish in because I knew Al would nedd a gaff man. When I landed my fish Al was still at a standstill; his fish had made three nice runs and was refusing to be moved. I had control of the boat as Al worked his fish closer and closer and, about 50 feet from the boat—in the setting sun—a beautiful thing happened: Al's fish rolled out of the water. He was a giant! I got nervous, thinking if I ever missed this fish with the gaff Al would die. But luck was with us. First shot, and I had him. We both lifted the bass into the boat.

After congratulating Al, we both went back to fishing. Within two and a half hours we had more big bass in the boat, all between 25 and 30 pounds. The tide slackened, so we decided to get back to the dock and get Al's big fish weighed. We believed he had his 50-pound class fish here, but, as fate would have it, he didn't quite make it. It weighed in at 48½ beautiful pounds; fifty two inches long with a thirty inch girth. This fish must have recently moved into the area because his girth was very small in comparison to the rest of him. A couple of days' feeding and Al would have had his fifty.

The next day and night, October 12, the full moon was overwhelming. Every fish was bass, between 20 and 31 pounds. The 31-pounder turned out to be my biggest fish for the trip, but it didn't matter. At least Al had his big fish and maybe this year will be my turn.

The next day, Saturday the 13th, after a long night's sleep, we packed our gear and our fish. We had had our blitz, and it was now "wait until next year,"with plenty to talk about to fellow fishermen this winter.

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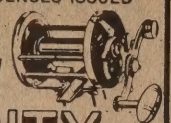

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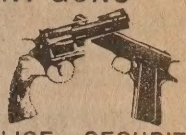

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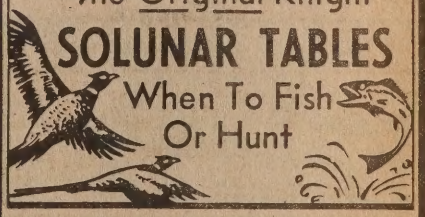

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The major periods begin at the time shown and last for an hour and a half or two hours thereafter, and are in black face type. The minor periods are somewhat shorter in duration

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	Minor	Major	Minor	Major
Thurs.	7:40	1:55	8:05	2:15
Fri.	8:30	2:45	8:55	3:05
Sat.	9:25	3:35	9:45	3:55
Sun.	10:20	4:30	10:40	4:50
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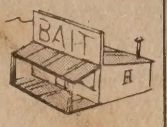

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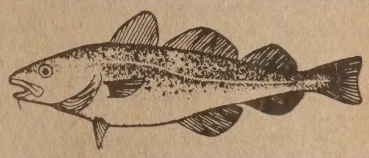

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	SANDY HOOK		NEW LONDON		WILLETS POINT		BRIDGEPORT	
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
9/5 THURSDAY	10:33	10:52	—	12:09	1:33	1:52	1:52	2:10
9/6 FRIDAY	11:11	11:34	12:31	12:49	2:14	2:33	2:32	2:51
9/7 SATURDAY	11:58	—	1:16	1:37	2:58	3:20	3:17	3:38
9/8 SUNDAY	12:25	12:51	2:08	2:30	3:47	4:10	4:09	4:31
9/9 MONDAY	1:23	1:52	3:09	3:33	4:42	5:08	5:08	5:34
9/10 TUESDAY	2:29	2:58	4:17	4:40	5:45	6:15	6:15	6:40
9/11 WEDNESDAY	3:44	4:11	5:24	5:47	6:57	7:30	7:22	7:47
9/12 THURSDAY	4:53	5:19	6:27	6:50	8:20	8:49	8:25	8:49

on SANDY HOOK

SHINNECOCK INLET	−0 50
Shinnecock Bay	+1 25
East Quogue	+2 45
Shinnecock Canal	+1 18
Indian Reservation	+3 05
MORICHES INLET	−0 56
Smith's Point	+3 28
Harts Cove	+1 30
Potunck Point	+3 35
Mastic Beach	+3 28
FIRE ISLAND INLET	−0 38
(Inlet,Breakwater & Dem. Pt.)	−0 38
Coast Guard Station	−0 19
Fire Island Light	+0 47
GREAT SOUTH BAY	
Sayville (Brown Creek)	+3 39
Heckscher State Park	+3 20
Bay Shore	+2 23
Babylon	+2 12
Amityville	+2 21
JONES INLET	−0 19
Loop Parkway Bridge	+0 25
Zachs Bay	+1 25
Seaford Harbor	+2 05
Freeport Creek	+0 34
EAST ROCKAWAY INLET	−0 06
Long Beach Bridge	+0 19
ROCKAWAY INLET	+0 00
Beach Channel (Bridge)	+0 38
JFK Airport	+0 26
STATEN ISLAND	+0 27
MANASQUAN	−0 12

on NEW LONDON

Orient Point	+0 27
Connecticut River	+1 10
Little Gull Island (Race)	+0 12
Greenport	+1 04
Southold	+1 43
New Suffolk	+2 26
South Jamesport	+2 32
Shinnecock Canal	+2 33
Noyack Bay	+2 05
Sag Harbor	+0 59
Gardiners Bay	+0 21
Promised Land (Napeague)	−0 14
Fort Pond Bay	−0 29
Montauk Inlet	−0 25
Montauk Point	−1 13

on WILLETS POINT

Little Neck Bay	−0 10
Execution Light	−0 06
Manhasset Bay	−0 01
Hempstead Harbor	−0 11
City Island	−0 03
Rye Beach	−0 28

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8-17	8-24	8-3	8-11
NEW	1st Qtr.	FULL	Last Qtr.

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Lloyd Point	+0 08
Cold Spring Harbor	+0 08
Bayville Bridge	+0 13
Eatons Neck Point	+0 03
Northport Bay	+0 03
Norwalk Islands	+0 10
Smithtown Bay	−0 03
Cranes Neck Point	+0 05
Port Jefferson Harbor	+0 03
New Haven Harbor	+0 08
Mount Sinai Harbor	−0 08
Herod Point	−0 07
Mattituck Inlet	+0 19
Horton Point	−0 20
Truman Beach	−0 42

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